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USDA SEEKS COMMENTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ON PROPOSED BIOLOGICAL CONTROL PROGRAM FOR SIREX WOODWASP

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service is advising the public that an environmental assessment has been prepared relative to a proposed biological control program for *Sirex* woodwasp. The environmental assessment documents our review and analysis of environmental impacts associated with the proposed biological control program. We are making this environmental assessment available to the public for review and comment.

This notice is scheduled for publication in the July 21 *Federal Register*.

Consideration will be given to comments received on or before Aug. 20. You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-2008-0073> to submit or view comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically.
- Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Please send two copies of your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2008-0073, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road, Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. APHIS-2008-0073.

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